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Finding:

Public funds were misappropriated and payroll documents falsified at the University of Washington's Diabetes Endocrinology Research Center.

Fraud Amount: \$27,914

Recovery to Date: \$27,914

Resolution/Status: The University concurs with this finding and has taken the following corrective action:

- Recovered all misappropriated funds from the employee,
- Worked with both the state Executive Ethics Board and the King County Prosecutor's Office to determine if criminal or civil charges are appropriate,
- Issued letters of reprimand to the appropriate parties named in the audit, and
- Mandated ethics training for the employees involved.

Criminal action taken: This matter was referred to the King county Prosecuting Attorney for any further action deemed appropriate.

Personnel action taken: Six employees were issued letters of reprimand. One employee has left employment with the University.

Amount to be recovered: \$27,914

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6331	01	Finding:	Two employees at the University of Washington (UW) Medical Center received compensation for time not worked.
		Fraud Amount:	\$29,871
		Recovery to Date:	\$ 0
		Resolution/Status:	The University concurs with this finding and has taken the following corrective action: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Referred the debts to the University's outside collection agency after unsuccessful efforts by internal collections staff, and• Communicated with payroll coordinators and managers on the appropriate procedures for processing payroll.
		The University will also:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Implement a new timekeeping and payroll process for the Medical Center within the next year.
		Criminal action taken:	The UW Police Department is referring this matter to the King County Prosecuting Attorney for any further action deemed appropriate.
		Personnel action taken:	Neither employee is currently working at the Medical Center.
		Amount to be recovered:	
			Unauthorized payroll payments \$29,871
			Audit/Investigation costs <u>1,905</u>
			Total \$31,776
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